

REMARKS**Status of the Claims**

Claims 1-8 and 10-19 are pending in this application. No claims have been canceled or added. Claims 8 and 16 have been amended to remove improper multiple dependencies and to define the variables within the claims. Claims 4, 5 and 17 have been amended to correct typographical errors. No new matter has been added by the above claim amendments.

Traversal of Restriction Requirement

Applicants maintain the traversal of the restriction requirement for claims 10, 11 and 15. Applicants submit that the subject matter of claims 10, 11 and 15 are sufficiently connected so that examination of claims 10, 11 and 15, along with the remaining claims, is not an undue burden on the Examiner. Claims 1-7, 12-15 and 17-19 are directed to aminoxy-cyclodextrin compounds, Claims 8 and 16 are directed to a method of preparing the compounds. Claims 10 and 11 are directed to novel uses of the compound. Since the compound and method of making the compound have been determined to be novel, any use of the compound is also necessarily novel. The claimed novel compound broadly recited in claim 1 is the nexus sufficiently linking all sets of claims. As such, Applicants submit that claims 10, 11 and 15 should be

rejoined, particularly claim 15, which is directed to a specific embodiment of the broad claim 1.

Objections to Claims

The Examiner objects to claims 8 and 16 as improper multiple dependent claims. Applicants amend claims 8 and 16 to remove multiple dependency and to define each of the variables within the claim instead of referring to another claim for the definition. As such, Applicants submit that this objection should be withdrawn.

Rejections under 35 USC 112, second paragraph

The Examiner rejects claims 4, 5, 8 and 17 as indefinite. Applicants amend claims 4 and 8 to correct typographical errors. Applicants amend claims 4, 5 and 17 to correct the recitation of the chemical compound substituents. In light of the above amendments, Applicants submit that the rejections have been overcome and the rejections should be withdrawn.

Conclusion

As Applicants have addressed and overcome all rejections in the Office Action, Applicants respectfully request that the rejections be withdrawn and that the claims be allowed.

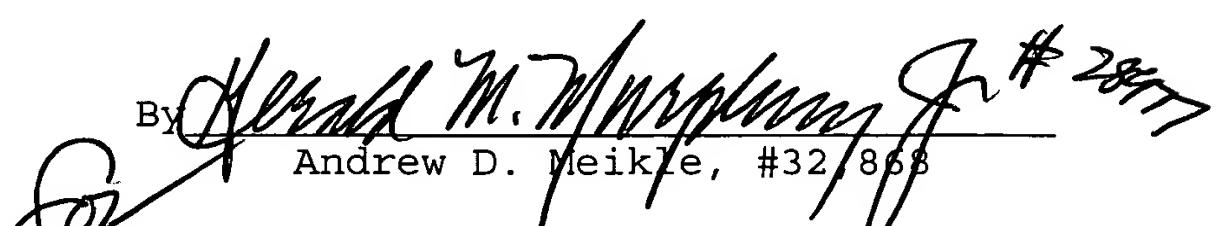
Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Kecia Reynolds (Reg. No. 47,021) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a), Applicant(s) respectfully petition for a one (1) month extension of time for filing a reply in connection with the present application, and the required fee of \$110.00 is attached hereto.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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